SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 239

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Marilyn Mandle Dick of Knoxville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Marilyn Mandle Dick; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn Dick was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Paris on April 27, 1923, she was the daughter of Sidney Ralston Mandle and Elna Richardson Mandle; at the age of sixteen, she represented the State at the National Forensic League in California, where she was awarded the Degree of Excellence in Dramatic Reading; she attended Sweet Briar College and graduated from Vanderbilt University in 1946; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn Mandle married James Allen Dick, Sr., on March 18, 1947, and, after a brief time in Lexington, Kentucky, the couple settled in Knoxville, where they raised their family, built a business, and gave back to the community; and

WHEREAS, supporters of the arts in their community, Mr. and Mrs. Dick founded the Joy of Music School, gifted the Tennessee Theatre to the City of Knoxville, and supported the Knoxville Symphony; and

WHEREAS, president of the Women's Guild of the Knoxville Symphony Society, Marilyn Dick was a member of the Nine O'clock Cotillion and the Knoxville Garden Club; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dick was an active and devout member of Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian Church and Wee Kirk Church, both of which she served faithfully for many years as a student of the Bible; and

WHEREAS, she was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn Dick is survived by three children, James Allen Dick, Jr., Emily Dick McAlister, and Charles Arthur Dick; her son-in-law, Franklyn Y. Hundley, Jr.; twelve grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dick was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her daughter Jeannette Dick Hundley; her brothers, Robert Mandle and Sidney Mandle; and her sister, Jeannette Mandle Dunlap; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn Dick leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Marilyn Mandle Dick, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Dick.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.